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CMC Annual Meeting
Saturday November 5, 2011
6 P.M.
Pack's Tavern, Asheville

The annual meeting of Carolina Mountain Club was held on Saturday November 5, 2011 at Pack's Tavern in Asheville.

Challenge Presentation

Peter Barr presented the challenge completers:

South Beyond 6000: Don Gardner, W. Lane Bailey, Chris Washburn, Martyn Easton, Bob Hysko, Erwin Hoadley, Steven Phillip Gilliam Sr., Elaine Jenkins, Jon Bellows, Garrett Ransom, Beth Ransom, Sawako Jager, Bev MacDowell, Seth O'Shields

Lookout Tower Challenge: Jack Fitzgerald, Sawako Jager

Pisgah 400: Jeffrey Rinehart

Waterfall Challenges 100: Howard Colby, Erwin Hoadley, Penny Longhurst, Gary Neibert, Joanne Tulip

Appalachian Trail: Jennifer Davis (speed record)

Mountains-to-Sea Trail: Danny Bernstein, Matt Kirk (speed record), Sharon McCarthy

New Hampshire 4000: Kent & Nancy Wilson

Carolina Mountain Land Conservancy White Squirrel: Allison Barr, Jack Fitzgerald, Sawako Jager, Jeff Rinehart

Club Awards

Becky Smucker presented two awards.

Stuart English received the *Award of Appreciation*, awarded to a member who, during the calendar year prior to the Annual Meeting, has rendered such exceptional service to the operation of the Carolina Mountain Club that its goals were significantly advanced. Stuart has done a wonderful job with *Let's Go* under trying personal circumstances.

Howard McDonald received the *Distinguished Service Award*, made to a member who, during his/her membership, has made consistent and cumulatively extraordinary contributions to the operation of CMC, and to the achievement of its goals. Howard received the *President's Call to Service Award* for volunteer work on the trails. We thank them both for their hard work to CMC.

Call to Order

Barth Brooker called the meeting to order and welcomed CMC members and friends - about 115 people.

- The minutes from the 2010 CMC annual dinner were accepted without change.

- Don Gardner presented the Treasurer's report and the 2011 annual budget. Both documents were passed.
- The following people were nominated to CMC positions:
 - President - Marcia Bromberg
 - Vice-President - Don Gardner
 - Treasurer - Jim Ariail
 - Education Chair - Jim Spicer
 - Hiking Chair - Jim Reel
 - Membership Chair - Barbara Morgan
 - Councilor at Large - Lee Silver
 Nominations were called for from the floor. A motion was made and passed to accept these nominations.
- Becky Smucker presented a change to the CMC Bylaws. The current bylaws, 1st sentence of Article III paragraph 2 reads:

Members will be dropped for non-payment of dues at mid-year and reinstated on payment of current dues.

The proposed sentence reads:

Members will be dropped for non-payment of dues at 90 days past due and reinstated on payment of current dues.

A motion was made to accept this change to the bylaws. It passed.
- Lenny Bernstein reviewed the state of planning for the Appalachian Trail Conservancy Biennial conference in 2013. It will be held at Western Carolina University July 19 to 26, 2013. Carolina Mountain Club is one of five "Deep South" A.T. clubs that will host the conference. The main message from Lenny was that we will need lots of volunteers.
- Barth discussed the following.
 - The club needs volunteers because we're only as good as our volunteers. So lead a hike, join a committee, go out and do trail maintenance and get involved.
 - The volunteers who worked on the CMC website were recognized and thanked - Tim Carrigan, Charlie Ferguson, and Becky Smucker.
 - He thanked the CMC council members who are leaving the council: Charlie Ferguson, Ashok Kudva, and Becky Smucker.
 - He thanked Marcia Bromberg who organized the dinner.

The meeting was adjourned.

Charles Maynard was our guest speaker. Maynard was the first Executive Director of Friends of the Smokies and is currently on the Board of the Appalachian Trail Conservancy. He talked about the exploits of D.R. Beeson and C. Hodge Mathes in the Smokies in 1914 and showed historical slides. Maynard received a standing ovation for a wonderful talk.